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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Notice – WT Docket Nos. 12-175 and 12-4

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of T-Mobile USA, Inc. ("T-Mobile"), and pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this letter provides notice of several *ex parte* meetings held on July 24 and July 25, 2012. During the course of the meetings, which were focused on providing a general update on T-Mobile's business, matters raised in WT Docket Nos. 12-175 and 12-4 arose. The meetings were attended by Jim Alling, Interim Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operations Officer of T-Mobile, Thomas J. Sugrue, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs, and Kathleen O'Brien Ham, Vice President, Federal Regulatory Affairs, of T-Mobile (together the "T-Mobile Representatives"). The T-Mobile Representatives met separately with Chairman Julius Genachowski, Rick Kaplan, Zac Katz, and Charles Mathias; Louis Peraertz and Intern Suman Tatapudy of Commissioner Mignon Clyburn's office; Paul Murray of Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel's office; Courtney Reinhard and Intern Jeremy Pederson of Commissioner Ajit Pai's office; and Ruth Milkman, Jim Schlichting, Tom Peters, and Susan Singer of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

With respect to matters pertaining to the above-referenced dockets, Mr. Alling and the other T-Mobile Representatives urged prompt approval of the pending spectrum transaction between T-Mobile and Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless (the "T-Mobile Transaction"). Mr. Alling explained that the spectrum T-Mobile seeks to acquire in the T-Mobile Transaction is critical to facilitating its ongoing network modernization project and deployment of Long Term Evolution ("LTE") service. Specifically, Mr. Alling discussed how this infusion of spectrum will enable T-Mobile to deploy LTE services in a number of markets where such deployment would otherwise have been impossible, and to enhance its LTE service in a number of additional markets where T-Mobile would have otherwise been limited to a 5x5 MHz LTE deployment. As such, Mr.

Alling explained that the T-Mobile Transaction will position T-Mobile to better compete, which will benefit consumers. Mr. Alling and the other T-Mobile Representatives also explained that Verizon's sale of spectrum to T-Mobile is sufficient to resolve the competitive concerns T-Mobile identified relating to Verizon's spectrum concentration, and accordingly they urged prompt approval of the T-Mobile Transaction and the transactions pending in WT Docket No. 12-4 so that T-Mobile may quickly deploy the additional spectrum as part of its network modernization project.

Should any additional information be required with respect to this *ex parte* notice, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

/s/Kathleen O'Brien Ham

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